

# QUARTERLY REPORT



CITY OF SUNNYVALE

SUMMER 2006

## FROM THE CITY MANAGER

**T**he hallmark of a world-class city is a connection between the residents and City Hall. In Sunnyvale, we are very proud of our successes, most of which could only have occurred with the active participation and support of community members.

We've taken the step of creating a special edition of *Quarterly Report*

to highlight the many forms of community engagement. To us, community engagement means not only the connection between our residents and those of us who serve our City in government, but also the connections among our residents.

We have a proud tradition of engagement. Our boards and commissions are populated by community members who volunteer their time to make Sunnyvale the great city it is. Volunteers – individuals and teams put together from places of employment – donate their valuable time to strengthen our City.

Neighborhood associations and the SNAP program bind our neighbors together in the spirit of

creating strength in numbers. And even now, we are forming the Citizen's Advisory Committee that will make recommendations on how to reuse Onizuka Air Force Station.

I could go on. The list is nearly endless. Together, we have forged Sunnyvale into a wonderful place to live and to work, and together we will continue to shape Sunnyvale into the world-class city it is destined to be. I urge you to become involved with your neighbors and with our city.

*Amy Chan*

Amy Chan  
City Manager

## SPECIAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ISSUE

## CELEBRATE ON JULY 4



Sunnyvale Mayor Ron Swegles and the Sunnyvale City Council will present the 2006 State of the City, Tuesday, July 4, at Washington Park.

The Sunnyvale community is invited to enjoy the music, food and fun. In addition to the State of the City address, awards for outstanding members of our community will be presented, including Businessperson of the Year, High School Senior of the Year, Outstanding Contribution to the Arts, Outstanding Environmental Achievement and Distinguished Resident of the Year. The mayor will also present the 2006 Mayor's Award of Excellence.

The event features a \$4 barbeque lunch, music by the Air National Guard Band of the West Coast, face painting, two bounce houses and information booths staffed by City departments.

The 2006 State of the City event begins at 11 a.m. and is free and open to the public. Washington Park is located at 840 W. Washington Ave. Washington Park is served by VTA lines 32 and 53. For additional information about the State of the City celebration, please call (408) 730-7535, TDD (408) 730-7501.

## SUNNYVALE COMMUNITY ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE IN ONIZUKA REUSE PLAN

**F**or years, Sunnyvale's Onizuka Air Force Station (AFS), with its enigmatic windowless Blue Cube, has been shrouded in mystery. Now, Sunnyvale residents, business owners, elected officials and the Air Force are about to embark on a multi-year project to plan for the civilian reuse of the 23-acre site.

Much of the base's operations are still classified, but de-classified projects such as CORONA – a successful endeavor to photograph the Soviet military buildup which significantly contributed to the U.S. winning the Cold War – speak to the significance Onizuka has held over the years. Sunnyvale residents can play a major – and decidedly public – role in determining the future of their City through the community reuse planning process of this secretive site.

On April 6, 2006, the Department of Defense (DOD) named the City of Sunnyvale the Local Redevelopment Authority (LRA) for the Onizuka AFS site. The LRA has until fall 2007 to receive input from community members and develop a Reuse Plan which will be submitted to DOD. DOD will then have one year – until fall 2008 – to issue its formal Record

of Decision describing how the property will be transferred.

The overall approach of the Onizuka LRA as it pursues reuse planning will be to keep the public informed and solicit input in order to develop a reuse plan that reflects community desires. To that end, the Onizuka LRA has formed a Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) to provide advice during development of the reuse plan. The CAC represents the interests of diverse stakeholders in the community and includes many Sunnyvale residents.

Success of the community reuse planning process depends on community member participation. Residents of Sunnyvale are encouraged to have an open dialog with both the Onizuka LRA and the CAC in an effort to form a consensus community vision for the future civilian reuse of the Onizuka AFS property.

Focus groups and public hearings will take place over the next several months. If you would like to be informed of updated and scheduled events, or would like to share your thoughts about reuse of the Onizuka site, please contact the Onizuka Redevelopment Hotline at (408) 730-7739, TDD (408) 730-7501, e-mail [brac@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:brac@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us), or visit [www.sunnyvale.ca.gov](http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov). ☀



## CITY OF SUNNYVALE Summer 2006

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## TRENDS IN COMMUNITY SERVICE

**M**any City employees are eager to make a positive contribution to the community's quality of life beyond the work they do on the job. Over the last year, staff members have initiated activities to support nonprofit and charitable organizations including Special Olympics, the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation, and the American Cancer Society's Daffodil Days and Relay For Life. All service activities are done on the employees' personal time.

Corporations  
and businesses

are also finding that community service is a valuable way to build teamwork, morale and company loyalty while making a contribution to the communities where employees work and live. In June, PricewaterhouseCoopers brought 100 employees to Baylands Park and Cisco Systems brought 50 employees to the Sunnyvale Landfill. Employees left their computers

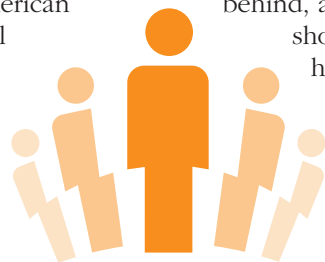
behind, and picked up rakes and shovels to renovate native habitats, maintain trails and clear brush and litter.

Energetic participants helped City staff move toward their vision for the project site – a vision that had been put

off too long. Both volunteers and City staff ended the project days with an increased sense of connection and belonging.

Cisco's work day in Sunnyvale was arranged through Hands On Bay Area, an organization that engages diverse individuals and corporations in community service and civic engagement. Offering high-quality volunteer project management and more than 100 projects every month, Hands On is working toward the same goal as the City: a connected and engaged community.

Want to get involved? For complete information about Sunnyvale's Volunteer Program, contact Claire Garcia in the Volunteer Office at (408) 730-7533, TDD (408) 730-7501, or visit our Web site at [volunteering.inSunnyvale.com](http://volunteering.inSunnyvale.com). To learn more about Hands On Bay Area visit [www.handsonbayarea.org](http://www.handsonbayarea.org) or call (408) 956-1448. ☀



# HANDSONBAYAREA

the power of community in action

## CITY COUNCIL PUSHES TO RESTART MALL REDEVELOPMENT

**S**unnyvale expressed a collective sigh of relief in the late summer of 2005 as work began on the Town Center Mall redevelopment project. Following extensive reviews, public outreach, City Council and Planning Commission meetings, residents saw the parking structure on the Mathilda side of the mall come down.

Fourth Quarter Properties, the corporation established by Atlanta-based developer The Forum Group, raised everyone's hopes as they did an excellent job in the first phase demolition, erecting downtown signage, controlling dust and mitigating possible problems caused by the heavy demolition work.

The plans called for a halt to the demolition work over the holiday shopping period to minimize the

financial impact to Target, Macy's and other downtown merchants; the demolition of the old mall structure between Target and Macy's was slated to begin again after the first of the year.

### **City Council Frustrated**

Days turned to weeks, which turned to months, with no apparent work being conducted on the site. Rumors began circulating and appearing in some news media that the redevelopment plan had changed to include more housing, move the theaters, and include yet other changes. While the redevelopment project is a private development by Fourth Quarter Properties, the City – through the Redevelopment Agency (RDA) – has a financial position in the redevelopment and, in fact, the City does own some portions of land in the area – primarily parking facilities.

As Council, sitting as the RDA, became increasingly frustrated with the apparent cessation of work, they directed that a letter be sent to the developer, notifying them that the developer was in breach of the contract they had signed with the RDA. The developer responded just before the 60-day deadline, but the response was not adequate to cure the breach of contract: it failed to explain why deadlines had been missed, what would be done to catch up on the work, and did not include a revised project calendar.

The City notified the developer of the inadequacy of their response, giving them 10 days in which to file a compete response. Under terms of the development contract, if the breach is not cured, there are options open to the City to revitalize the project, including the possibility of purchasing the land and bringing in a new developer.

The City received a more complete response from the developer just as this issue of *Quarterly Report* was going to press. Staff and Council are reviewing the response to determine if it properly responds to the original breach notification.

### **Plan Unchanged**

Despite the rumors and stories that have circulated about changes in the redevelopment plan, no such changes have taken place. Council has repeated that the only plan approved by the City is the plan the developer and the RDA signed last year. That plan calls for 292 homes, 1 million square feet of retail space and about one-quarter of a million square feet of office space. While Fourth Quarter Properties has expressed an interest in modifying the plan, these changes would require a General Plan amendment, and would likely spur at least an updated environmental impact report and additional community outreach meetings. In reviewing the request, Council has stated flatly they will not consider any such request for a General Plan amendment or any other change in the design until after the developer cures their breach of contract.

You can stay updated on Town Center Mall redevelopment issues by checking the City's Web site [www.sunnyvale.ca.gov](http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov), by reading the downtown updates on the Web at [downtown.inSunnyvale.com](http://downtown.inSunnyvale.com), and by reading local newspapers. You can express your opinions on the project by attending Council meetings, e-mailing [downtown@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:downtown@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us), or by calling the downtown redevelopment project hotline at (408) 737-4900, TDD (408) 730-7501. ☀

## COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICE

The Community Liaison Office helps community members get information they need and can be especially useful in resolving complex or time-intensive issues. The liaison office links community members with City services and helps residents by evaluating various options and working with all the City departments.

Created in 2003, the liaison office has helped resolve issues ranging from construction noise and inconsistent street signage, to ideas for improvements to City parks. In most cases, the liaison office puts residents in direct contact with appropriate staff either within the City or in outside organizations to address and resolve specific concerns.

For more information, please contact the Community Liaison Office at (408) 730-7472 or e-mail [ncs@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:ncs@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).



# PLANNING FOR OUR COMMUNITY’S FUTURE



**T**he development and rebuilding of the City of Sunnyvale is important to all of our residents and businesses. The Department of Community Development is eager to involve you in planning for the future of our City. Although most community participation in planning takes place during individual project review, there are also ways for the public to get involved in long-range planning. First, though, it’s important to understand the role planning has in shaping our community.

## Why is So Much Development Taking Place?

Sunnyvale is an attractive place to live and conduct business. Every property owner has the responsibility to ask for City approval prior to making improvements to her or his property. The Planning staff and/or the Planning Commission will review proposed improvements to insure that they meet zoning standards, such as height and setbacks, before approving them. Some types of improvements also require design review to achieve compatibility with the surrounding properties.

When a property owner requests an improvement which is not consistent with the use and intensity of use permitted by the current zoning, the City Council will consider a change in zoning and may amend the General Plan. These are important Council policy decisions. If approved, they change the previous long-range plan and goals for development on the property.

## Who Decides Which Projects are Approved?

Property improvement which meets all zoning requirements and is not subject to design review needs only a building permit. Building permits are issued by staff when plans are in accordance with adopted building, electrical, mechanical and plumbing codes. Interior home remodels fall into

this category. Staff reviews and may issue planning permits for most signs, fences and tree removals. Most residential design reviews are undertaken by staff, and minor additions may only require a building permit.

Most planning reviews are completed within two weeks, with many reviews completed in less than an hour at the City’s One-Stop Permit Center. Sunnyvale’s award-winning One-Stop Center has a reputation for providing efficient, cost-effective services.

More complex projects — such as new housing developments, some commercial and industrial buildings, and significant second-story additions to homes – require approval or disapproval by the Planning Commission at a public hearing, a process which typically takes between six to 12 weeks. Some projects also require City Council action at a noticed public hearing.

## How Do I Find Out About Current Projects?

The public notices for projects differ based on the type of review process. For staff-level reviews, there is no public noticing for over-the-counter approvals. Front yard fences higher than six feet are posted on the site, and adjacent neighbors are notified for design reviews that include a second-story addition. For public hearings, notices are published in the *Sunnyvale Sun*, posted on the project site, mailed to neighboring property owners and tenants within 300 feet of the property, and agendas are posted on the City’s public notice board and at the Sunnyvale Public Library.

Information on the status of public hearing projects is available through Sunnyvale’s Development Updates, which are available at City Hall and on the City’s Web site [sunnyvale.ca.gov/Departments/Community+Development/Development+Update/](http://sunnyvale.ca.gov/Departments/Community+Development/Development+Update/)

## How Can I Participate?

You can write a letter, talk to the planner assigned to the project, send

an e-mail or speak at the public hearing. If speaking at the hearing, you should wait until after the item has been announced, planning staff has given a verbal report, and the applicant has spoken. The meeting chairperson will then invite members of the public to speak to the item for up to three minutes. Planning Commission and City Council meetings are broadcast live on KSUN-15, Sunnyvale’s government-access cable channel.

Community input is always welcome. Anyone may express their opinion of a project, regardless of age, citizenship or city of residence. Most decisions on projects can be appealed to a higher level of authority within 15 days of the decision. City Council decisions, however, are final.

## How Can I Find Out More?

Visit the City’s Web site at [www.sunnyvale.ca.gov](http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov), call us at (408) 730-7444, TDD (408) 730-7501, or stop by the City’s One-Stop Permit Center at 456 West Olive Ave. If you are interested in participating in long-range planning and visioning, contact the Planning Office at (408) 730-7435. City staff can provide you with the schedule for updates of the General Plan elements, and put you on the community contact list for those elements in which you are most interested. ☺

## SUNNYVALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM ASSOCIATION

The Sunnyvale Historical Society and Museum Association is 50 years old this year. What better way to celebrate this milestone than with a groundbreaking of its long-awaited new museum – an excellent example of the fruits of community engagement and collaboration? The celebration will be Saturday, September 30, at Heritage Park from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will feature live music, a model and plans for the new museum, children’s activities, an antique and collectible sale, and BBQ lunch available on site. The official groundbreaking ceremony will take place at 11:45 a.m. Admission is free and open to the public.

For more information visit the association’s Web site at [www.heritageparkmuseum.org](http://www.heritageparkmuseum.org), or call (408) 736-4713.



**For All City Services, TDD Access  
(408) 730-7501**

# LIBRARY OF THE FUTURE

What is your dream of the library of the future? If you want to help make that dream a reality, you are in luck, as new opportunities are coming soon for the Sunnyvale community to join in planning for the future of Sunnyvale Public Library.

In April, City Council approved the Library's request to develop plans for the Sunnyvale Library of the Future, giving the Library permission to move forward with formal studies to assess community needs. The formal studies will shape a long-term plan of service and explore options

**"There is nothing like dream to create the future. Utopia to-day, flesh and blood tomorrow."**

Victor Hugo, *Les Miserables*

for a new or improved facility.

The Library Board of Trustees and Library staff held public meetings to gather information for the report to Council, outlining a vision for the Library. Community members said that they would like the Library to:

- Focus on services to children, helping them learn and enjoy reading starting from an early age
- Continue to have collections of books, audiobooks, DVDs and other materials, but also have information available in formats that relate to how information is currently delivered and preferred by the public
- Focus on opportunities for lifelong learning, supporting the

educational efforts of community members of all ages

- Provide a comfortable place for individuals and families to relax, enjoy reading activities and learn together
- Be a source of civic pride and become a destination location; a place where people can meet, share ideas and attend outstanding programs

The formal studies will go well above and beyond the work that has been done this past year. The studies will chart a path to the new vision that has been created. The City also will examine the resources available in comparison to what would be required to implement the new vision. Suggestions for ways to bridge the gap in funding for ongoing operations as well as capital expenditures will be included.

For more information about the Library of the Future, visit [Library.inSunnyvale.com](http://Library.inSunnyvale.com) and click on *Library of the Future*, or join our mailing list by sending an e-mail to [futurelib@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:futurelib@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us) and typing "subscribe" in the subject or body of the message. ☀

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES FAIR TO BE HELD AT SUNNYVALE PUBLIC LIBRARY

From art classes to sports to scouting programs, families in Santa Clara County have a dizzying selection of activities to keep their children entertained and active. It can get quite overwhelming. To help families learn more about their choices, the Children's Services Division of the Sunnyvale Public Library is sponsoring a Youth Activities Fair in the Library's Program Room, Saturday, August 26, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. This free event does not require advance registration.

Representatives from a variety of organizations will be on hand to answer questions about the services they provide. Several organizations will showcase their offerings by demonstrating activities. Family entertainment will be provided as well, thanks to support from the Friends of the Sunnyvale Library. Organizations interested in participating in the fair may call the Library's Children's Services Division at (408) 730-7294 for more information.



**Library of the Future**

# SUMMER READING



Sign up for the Sunnyvale Public Library's 2006 Summer Reading Program. Register at the Children's Information Desk between Saturday, June 17, and Sunday, July 30. Program information is also listed on the Library's Web site, [Library.inSunnyvale.com](http://Library.inSunnyvale.com).

## Children's Summer Reading

### Paws, Claws, Scales And Tales

The Library's Children's Services staff has planned a summer full of activities for children. Sign-ups for the "Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales" summer reading program will begin on Saturday, June 17. The reading program encourages children to read and share books over the summer so they continue to build literacy and language skills. It is targeted to preschoolers aged 3 and older and students up through 5th grade. The last day to register is Sunday, July 30.

This year participants will take their reading logs home with them and record the titles of books they read or listen to. Beginning Monday, July 31, children can bring their reading logs listing 10 or more books back to the library to receive a certificate and a free book to keep, courtesy of the

Friends of the Sunnyvale Library. The last day to receive a prize is Sunday, September 3.

Chapter-book and juvenile-fiction readers are also invited to attend Book Cafe discussion groups, which focus on literary genres rather than specific books.

It's a great opportunity to share favorite titles with others and discover great new books to read. Refreshments will be served. Sign up for Book Cafe at the Library beginning June 17.

A full slate of storytimes for preschoolers from birth through age 5 will be offered throughout the summer, as well as many special activities, including a giant storyteller, music, stories and crafts, a puppet show, and live reptiles and amphibians. Bilingual English/Spanish storytimes will also be offered at the Riviera Apartments at Morse and Ahwanee Avenues, across from the Columbia Neighborhood Center. Call the Library at (408) 730-7292 for details.

Most of the special activities are for children aged 3 and up. A summer flyer describing the reading program and listing all the events are now available. The Library Web site will also be updated with the latest information.

## Teen Summer Reading

### Creature Feature

Teens between 6th grade (as of fall 2006) through 16 years old who read 10 or more books this summer will receive one free paperback book, courtesy of the Friends of the Sunnyvale Library. Teens may select their free book at the Library between Monday, July 31, and Sunday, September 3. Stop in and ask about other prizes for teens, as well. Call (408) 730-7292 for more information.

## Adult Summer Reading

### Feed Your Need To Read

Summer reading isn't just for kids. As they have done for the past several years, the Library's Adult Services division is sponsoring a summer reading program. Come to the reference desk between June 1 and August 1 to sign up and start a reading diary. Once you have read eight books, you will be able to choose a paperback book specially selected for this program.

The books will be available for pickup until August 31, so be sure to finish reading and pick up your prize by that date. The purchase of the books is funded by a generous donation of the Friends of the Library. ☀



# LIBRARY PROGRAMS

## CHILDREN’S SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**Carnival of Chaos**  
*Thursday, July 6, 1 p.m.*  
Ages 3 and up.

**Be a Bug.**  
*Thursday, July 6, 7 p.m.*  
Ages 3 and up.

**Southwestern Stories**  
*Thursday, July 13, 11 a.m.*  
Ages 3 and up.

**East Bay Vivarium**  
*Thursday, July 13, 2 p.m.*  
Ages 5 and up, only.

**Puppy Day**  
*Thursday, July 20, 11 a.m.*  
Ages 3 and up.

**Walter the Giant**  
*Thursday, July 20, 2 p.m.*  
Ages 5 and up, only.

**Fishy Business**  
*Thursday, July 27, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.*  
Ages 3 and up.

**Storytelling with Mara**  
*Thursday, August 3, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.*  
Ages 3 and up.

**Swazzle Puppets**  
*Thursday, August 10, 2 p.m.*  
Ages 3 and up.

**Chess at the Library**  
*Saturdays, July 1, 15; August 5, 19, 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.*  
For children 3rd grade and up.

## STORYTIMES FOR PRESCHOOLERS

**Mother Goose for Pre-walkers**  
*Tuesdays, July 11, 25; August 8, 11 a.m.*

**Mother Goose for Walkers**  
*Tuesdays, July 18; August 1, 15, 11 a.m.*  
Up to age 2.

**Toddler Storytime**  
*Wednesdays, July 12, 26; August 9, 11 a.m.*  
Ages 2 – 3 1/2

**Time for Tales**  
*Mondays, July 3, 17, 31; August 14, 11 a.m.*  
Ages 3 – 5.

**Hora de Cuentos Bilingües**  
*Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25; August 1, 8, 15, 2:30 p.m.*  
At Riviera Apartments, Morse and Ahwanee Avenues, Sunnyvale.  
Storytimes in English and Spanish.

## TEEN PROGRAMS

**Yarn Days for Teens and Adults**  
*Mondays, July 3 – August 28, 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.*  
Learn to knit or crochet, or bring a project and share time with friends.

**Chocolate Extravaganza**  
*Tuesday, July 11, 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.*  
Games, fun, and chocolate.. For children entering grade 6 and up.

**Beads, Beads, Beads**  
*Wednesday, August 9, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.*  
Create Femo beads and make jewelry. For children entering grade 6 and up. Register beginning July 15 at the Children’s Information Desk.

## PARENT AND FAMILY EVENTS

**Protect your Children and Teens on the Internet Highway.**  
*Tuesday, July 11, 7 p.m.*  
A presentation by Sunnyvale Public Safety Department.

**Youth Activities Fair**  
*Saturday, August 26, 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.*  
Families are invited to explore enrichment activities for children and teens. Representatives from sports leagues, art and music schools, Sunnyvale Parks and Recreation Department, and other providers of enrichment activities for youth will be available to provide information and demonstrations.

## FALL STORYTIMES

**Mother Goose for Pre-walkers**  
*Tuesdays, September 5, 19, 11 a.m.*

**Mother Goose for Walkers**  
*Tuesdays, September 12, 26, 11 a.m.*  
Up to age 2.

**Toddler Storytime (Morning)**  
*Wednesday, September 6, 20, 11 a.m.*  
Ages 2 – 3 1/2

**Toddler Storytime (Evening)**  
*Wednesday, September 13, 27, 7 p.m.*  
Ages 2 – 3 1/2

**Time for Tales**  
*Mondays, September 11, 25, 11 a.m.*  
Ages 3 – 5.

**Preschool Storytime**  
*Thursdays, September 21, 28; October 5, 12, 19, 26, 11 a.m.*  
Registration is required and begins Saturday, September 9. A weekly small-group program for children ages 3 to 5 who are able to participate without a parent or caregiver. This year each six-week session will focus on a different skill leading to kindergarten readiness. This session will include stories and songs about letters and numbers.

**Night Owl Storytime**  
*Thursday, September 21, 7 p.m.*  
Ages 3 – 8.

**Family Storytime**  
*Saturday, September 16, 10:30 a.m.*

**Cuentos en Español**  
*Saturday, September 9, 2 p.m.*  
Para la familia entera. Stories in Spanish for the whole family.

## ADULT SPECIAL PROGRAMS

**Opera San José 2006 – 2007 Season Preview**  
*Monday, July 24, 7 p.m.*  
Preview Opera San Jose’s 2006 – 2007 season at a special free presentation at the Sunnyvale Library. Artists will perform selections from Roméo et Juliette, The Barber of Seville, La Traviata, and Madama Butterfly, following a presentation of a brief synopsis of each opera.

## LITERATURE PROGRAMS

**Book Reviews**  
*Wednesdays, July 12; August 9; September 13, 2 p.m.*  
No books to read. Come to listen and enjoy. The second Wednesday of every month, gather in the Room to hear a book chat highlighting good reads and “hidden treasures.” Feel free to bring a lunch. All are welcome.

**Read-Along Shakespeare**  
*Mondays, July 10; August 7; September 11, 7 p.m.*  
Gather in the Program Room at 7 p.m. with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. All are welcome.

*Monday, July 10, 7 p.m.*  
**The Taming of the Shrew**

*Monday, August 7, 7 p.m.*  
**The Comedy of Errors**

*Monday, September 11, 7 p.m.*  
**The Merchant of Venice**

**Monthly Book Group**  
*Thursday, July 20; August 17; September 21, 7 p.m.*  
The third Thursday of every month, enjoy the fellowship of readers as you share impressions of books selected by the group, discovering new viewpoints and deepening your reading experience. All are welcome.

*Thursday, July 20, 7 p.m.*  
**The Jane Austen Book Club, by Karen Fowler**  
Explores the lives of five women and one man who meet monthly to discuss the novels of Jane.Austen.

*Thursday, August 17, 7 p.m.*  
**Nickel and Dime: On (Not) Getting By in America, by Barbara Ehrenreich.**  
The author takes a series of low wage jobs and reports on the working poor and their struggle to survive.

*Thursday, September 21, 7 p.m.*  
**Saturday, by Ian McEwan**  
A single day in the life of a surgeon whose life is changed by a car accident involving a hoodlum.

## ADULT CLASSES

Adult classes in the Library are a great way to get a free introduction to the Library and its resources, including how to use computers and the Internet, fast becoming one of life’s necessities. Each class is one session, and meets in the Program Room unless otherwise noted. No registration required except for the Computer Comfort class.

**Computer Basics**  
*Tuesday, August 22, 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. at the Senior Center.*

A presentation designed for new or first time computer users, with an opportunity for hands-on practice. Learn about computers in a relaxed, stress-free setting. This part lecture, part hands-on program lasts two hours. Registration starts two weeks prior to class date.

**Searching the Internet**  
*Tuesday, July 25, 3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. at the Sunnyvale Senior Center and Wednesday, August 23, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. at the Library.*  
Find the information you want in minutes. Learn effective search techniques, discuss search engines and indexes, and discover great places to start your search. Meet some specialized search engines, visit the Invisible Web and explore some special features of your favorite research tools. For those familiar with the Internet.

**Extreme Googling**  
*Tuesday, July 18, 3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. at the Senior Center.*  
Learn how to get the most out of Google and improve searching efficiency. You will learn why word order is important, how Google “thinks,” and how to limit and combine terms.

**Genealogy Databases**  
*Wednesday, August 16, 2 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.*  
Learn about two of the libraries newest databases, Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest Online. The course will cover content, basic searching, and viewing and printing techniques.

**Free Databases @ Your Library**  
*Thursday, July 13, 3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. at the Sunnyvale Senior Center, and Tuesday, August 8, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. at the Library.*  
Some of the Library’s most valuable and up-to-date resources are online. Learn how to get free access to millions of Web-based magazine and newspaper articles, thousands of e-Books, detailed company directories, in-depth information on health, business, controversial issues, and more.

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## THE SUNNYVALE ADVANTAGE

**H**ave you ever wondered what the City of Sunnyvale can do for your business? Now is your chance to discover what the City can do for you by meeting with members of the City of Sunnyvale Economic Development staff. The Economic Development Division coordinates the City's efforts to build and maintain strong partnerships with the business community.

Because businesses are a significant contributor to the

community's high quality of life, the Economic Development Division is committed to retaining current businesses, helping them be successful, and planning for future economic vitality.

Meeting with City staff gives businesses the opportunity to learn about resources available through the City of Sunnyvale as well as through other agencies. It also gives the City the chance to hear about

programs and services being offered by businesses, so the City can adapt to changing needs and continue to offer high-quality, value-added programs.

If you are interested in scheduling a visit with the City of Sunnyvale, call the Economic Development Division at (408) 730-7607, TDD (408) 730-7501, or e-mail [econdev@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:econdev@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us).

You can also visit us on the Web at [www.sunnyvale-econdev.com](http://www.sunnyvale-econdev.com). ☀



## ART APPRENTICESHIP STUDENTS CHOOSE FINAL CONCEPT FOR PUBLIC ART PIECE

**S**ince its inception in January 2006, the students participating in the Kids Learning After School (KLAS) art apprenticeship program at Columbia Middle School have been hard at work learning about public art, strengthening artistic skills and developing concepts for a new neighborhood public art piece. They

are creating a permanent work of art that is representative of themselves, the Columbia Neighborhood Center and their neighborhood.

"The students worked really hard to develop designs that represented their community and their life experiences," said project artist, Melissa Duggan, who was hired to lead the apprenticeship. Duggan developed the final designs for the artwork while incorporating both her own artistic style and the vision and values of the students. "After numerous discussions and artistic exercises with the students over the past four months, I was really inspired by the students' opinions, creativity and enthusiasm."

Students voted on Duggan's designs, and the final choice was a sculpture that is playful, colorful, tall and, most importantly, representative of the students involved in the project. Once the final design was chosen, the students developed the artistic details and actually built part of the sculpture.

"The Center's sculpture is an interpretation of our world," said Duggan, "with continents defined and designed by the students according to how they perceive the

world around them, including their hopes and dreams for the future."

This world is made of glass mosaic pieces which the students laid out and glued on to the sculpture. The structural design, metal fabrication, powder-coating (painting) and installation will be done by professionals hired out of the project's limited budget.

Community members can expect to see the finished sculpture sometime this summer. An official dedication of the artwork on site will take place during the Neighborhood Center's 10th Anniversary celebration in fall 2006.

The KLAS program is a collaboration between the Columbia Neighborhood Center, City of Sunnyvale Department of Parks and Recreation and the Sunnyvale School District. This project is funded in part through a grant from the Sunnyvale Rotary Club. The finished sculpture will become part of, and be cared for by, the City of Sunnyvale's Permanent Art Collection. To learn more about the after school art apprenticeship program, call Sunnyvale Visual Arts Coordinator Kristin Dance at (408) 730-7758. For more information about KLAS, call (408) 522-8247. ☀

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Do you have a few hours available each week? Are you looking for an interesting and unusual service opportunity in your community? The City of Sunnyvale's volunteer positions are a way for you to get connected and to contribute your skills and talents to one of many hardworking teams.

Sunnyvale's online volunteer application system makes it easy to sign up. Just visit [volunteering.inSunnyvale.com](http://volunteering.inSunnyvale.com). Each page has a link to *Volunteer Opportunities* and to our online volunteer application. The list of opportunities contains detailed descriptions of current volunteer positions in the City and also throughout the community. The application is easy to fill out and gives you an opportunity to tell us about your interests and qualifications.

### Examples of Current Opportunities:

- City Council Information Support: This team meets Thursdays to prepare agendas and reports for each City Council meeting.
- Compost Educator: Sunnyvale conducts monthly home compost education workshops once a month on Saturday. You'll help residents reduce the amount of waste sent to the landfill and raise their environmental awareness.
- Public Safety Property and Evidence Warehouse: If you are available between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., able to lift up to 40 pounds, and willing to get dirty, you will enjoy volunteering in our Public Safety warehouse where you'll learn about safety operations and the storage of property and evidence items.
- Tutoring: Are you passionate about education? The volunteer office can refer you to a variety of tutoring opportunities in the City and at the Adult School's ATLAS program.

Are you intrigued by one of these opportunities? When you fill out your application, indicate in the notes box which position interests you. To learn more about Sunnyvale's Volunteer Program, contact Claire Garcia in the Volunteer Office at (408) 730-7533, TDD (408) 730-7501 or visit [volunteering.inSunnyvale.com](http://volunteering.inSunnyvale.com).



## Did You Know?

**Sunnyvale Restaurants** generate more than **\$2.5 million** in sales tax each year to the City's General Fund.

That could buy **64,000 books and DVDs** for Sunnyvale Public Library.



# It's BLOCK PARTY TIME!

Block parties are great opportunities for neighbors to get to know one another in a fun, relaxed setting. The City of Sunnyvale can provide you with some useful tools to help make your block party safe and successful. Follow the easy steps below:

### Step 1: Plan It

Survey your neighbors to determine the best date, time and location for your block party. Ideally, you'll want to have these details finalized at least one month prior to the event. You may want to plan your block party around an event, like National Night Out (the first Tuesday in August) or the Memorial Day or Labor Day holidays. Events that include children are especially enjoyed by neighbors. Summer months, late spring, and early fall are the best times of year for block parties since the weather is usually pleasant.

### Step 2: Call the City

At least 30 days prior to your event, contact the City's Communications Division at (408) 730-7535 or [communications@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:communications@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us). You will be asked a few simple questions to determine whether you will need to complete a Community Event Application and apply for special permits. (Most block parties do not require special permits.)

### Step 3: Pick Up Supplies

At least one week prior to your event, if you need traffic control items (barricades and cones) to block streets, request a permit by calling the Department of Public Safety (DPS) at (408) 730-7212.

### Additional Tips for Planning a Successful Block Party

- Form a block party planning committee consisting of neighbors from several households.
- Determine the budget for your party. Will it be "potluck" or will donations be collected from neighbors to put toward food and entertainment?
- Determine what equipment your neighbors have, and what you may need to rent, such as tables, tents and sound system. (If you plan to use speakers, talk to DPS to find out if you need an amplified sound permit.) Ask everyone to bring their own chairs.
- Assign tasks to individual committee members. For example, one person in charge of organizing the food, while another person is in charge of entertainment and activities, and another is in charge of contacting the City.

- Don't forget to put someone in charge of the clean-up crew.
- Send out invitations. This can be done as part of your neighborhood newsletter or e-mail group, or a simple flyer that's delivered around to the neighborhood by volunteers. Confirm arrangements for barricades, entertainment, food, refreshments, tents, tables and any other equipment that will be rented or borrowed a couple days before the party.
- On the day of the block party, have your neighborhood association officers or committee make a special point of meeting and greeting your neighbors as they come to the event. Hand out name tags to each neighbor who attends.
- Enjoy!

If you have questions or need more information about planning a block party, please Sunnyvale's Community Outreach Coordinator at (408) 730-7472, TDD (408) 730-7501. ☎

## CHILD CARE ADVISORY BOARD SELECTS EARLY EDUCATION AWARD RECIPIENTS

High-quality early education is an important part of the Sunnyvale community. It has proven to have long-term academic social and economic benefits, and builds the foundation for a child's future success. To highlight the importance of early education to a child's development and to the broader community, the City of Sunnyvale has recognized several outstanding early education with the 2006 Awards for Excellence in Early Education.

These annual awards, given for the third time this year, give parents and the community a meaningful way to recognize Sunnyvale-based child care providers who are committed to providing outstanding care for the children in our community. The City of Sunnyvale's Child Care Advisory Board (CCAB) selected this year's recipients based on nominations from parents and others who have first-hand experience with the nominees' commitment to providing high-quality early learning experiences. Recipients were presented with certificates of appreciation by Mayor Ron Swegles at the City's Health & Safety Fair on May 6.

This year's recipients are:

- Family Child Care Provider: Manijeh Khazeni, Right Start Day Care
- Preschool / Child Care Center (Preschool-Age): Appleseed Montessori – Dunford School
- Child Care or Preschool Teacher: Room 7 Teachers: Ms. Golosman, Ms. Chammapun, Ms. Au, Ms. Smith and Ms. Bryant (Community Preschool)
- Child Care Center or Preschool Director: Connis Olson, Community Preschool

For more information about the award program, the CCAB, or the City's Child Care Resources program, contact Child Care Resources at (408) 730-7608, TDD (408) 730-7501, or visit [www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/communityresources](http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/communityresources) and click *Child Care Resources*.

# TRADITIONAL KARATE TRAINING OFFERED AT COLUMBIA NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

Mark Richardson is a businessman and a resident of Sunnyvale's Columbia neighborhood. He also happens to be a member of San Jose's Satsuma Dojo, a pioneer in traditional karate in the Bay Area. Seeing an opportunity to share his passion with his community, Richardson approached the City of Sunnyvale and proposed offering affordably-priced classes at the Columbia Neighborhood Center. Traditional karate training, he pointed out, requires rigorous discipline and sincere effort, resulting in character development for committed students. People of all ages and levels of fitness can train hard, have fun and broaden

their horizons by learning karate. The Center agreed to a pilot program that would encourage youth and families in the Columbia Neighborhood to participate, and in March 2006, Satsuma Dojo launched a new, low-cost karate program for Sunnyvale residents. Traditional karate classes are offered Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. for advanced students and 10 a.m. to noon for beginning or intermediate students. The classes are \$15 per month for Sunnyvale residents and are open to adults and youth 8 years and older. Registration forms are available at the Columbia Neighborhood Center, 785 Morse Ave. Call (408) 523-8150 for more information. Some scholarships are available. ☎

For All City Services, TDD Access (408) 730-7501



# NOVA's ProMatch Provides Community-Based Approach to Job Seeking

**P**roMatch, a professional job-search networking program of the California Employment Development Department (EDD), in collaboration with NOVA – Sunnyvale's Department of Employment Development – is an excellent example of how community involvement can benefit both the individual and the organization, as well as the community at large.

Unlike most job-search programs, ProMatch uses minimal staff support, and instead relies on its own job-seeking members to run daily operations, create and facilitate job-search workshops, conduct networking, and much more. Through volunteering, ProMatch members are able to demonstrate their talents, learn new skills, provide support to other job seekers, and receive support from their peers. Even once ProMatch members become re-employed, many continue to volunteer their time and experience to help current members re-enter the workforce. Some ProMatch alumni, for example, make themselves available for informational interviews. Others have created unique workshops to present to current ProMatch members who are encountering specific obstacles to finding employment.

Volunteer opportunities are not restricted to current and former ProMatch members, however, and

ProMatch welcomes members from the workforce community as presenters on relevant topics at their weekly meetings. In addition to informational interviews, some individuals also make themselves available to assist individuals in exploring particular occupations or industries. In the past, community volunteers have provided workshops on topics such as making career transitions, negotiating job offers, or marketing yourself to employers. The program has also used volunteers to help with the administrative work such as data entry in support of the program.

To learn more about ProMatch, visit [www.promatch.org](http://www.promatch.org). If you are interested in providing assistance to professionals seeking jobs or if you have other ideas about how you might contribute to this outstanding program, please contact ProMatch at (408) 736-2391 or by e-mail at [promatch@promatch.org](mailto:promatch@promatch.org). ☀

## PANDEMIC FLU

You know when it hits. You feel miserable, feverish, achy. It's the flu, and we've come to expect it - and the inconvenience it brings - every year. But a new and more dangerous type of flu is on the horizon.

Avian Flu (HN51) has been identified in birds in Asia and Europe. While this strain of flu primarily affects birds, some people who have had close contact with sick and infected birds have themselves become sick, and, in a few cases, have died. Unlike the garden-variety flu, at this time there is no vaccine for avian flu.

Health officials are concerned with this strain of flu because there is little or no resistance to this strain in humans. Currently this strain of flu is not transmitted from person to person. If mutations occur that enable the strain to be passed between humans, health officials worry that a pandemic flu – like the one that killed 500,000 people in the United States in 1918 – could occur.

While no one is sure if or when avian flu will be transmitted from person to person, planning has begun in all levels. "For the first time in human history, we have a chance to prepare ourselves for a pandemic before it arrives," said Dr. Margaret Chan, Director of the World Health Organization.

Officials in Sunnyvale and throughout Santa Clara County are doing their part to prepare for a pandemic. In the event of a pandemic, the Santa Clara Valley Health Department will issue orders to limit the spread of the flu. They can order public meetings to be cancelled to prevent spread of disease, schools and day care centers may be closed, and hospitals will be at capacity so influenza care centers may be established to provide care for individuals that do not have family to assist with home health care. In order to limit the spread of the flu individuals will be asked not to come to work or school when they are sick.

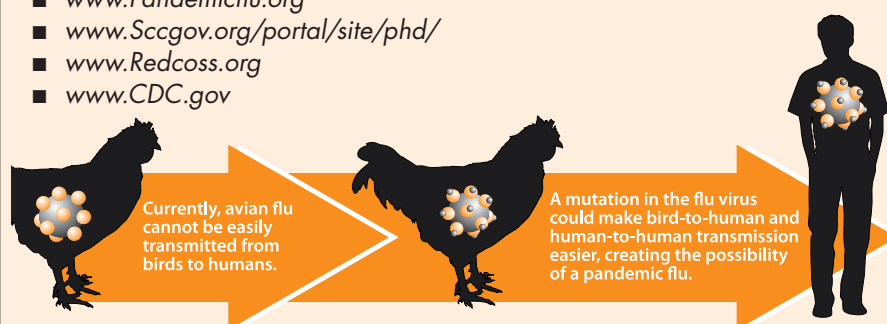
Sunnyvale staff have also begun planning for a pandemic flu. Sunnyvale's Office of Emergency Services offers monthly classes for individual and family preparedness. As part of the preparedness planning a segment on pandemic flu planning has been included. These classes are offered every second Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety Classroom, 700 All America Way. Call (408) 730-7190 if you would like to attend the monthly class. Links to personal, business and school preparedness can be found the Sunnyvale DPS Office of Emergency Services website [OES.inSunnyvale.com](http://OES.inSunnyvale.com)

### What You Can Do To Prepare

Have an emergency kit in your home and adapt it for a pandemic influenza. While the normal emergency kit should be food and water for 72 hours, a pandemic influenza emergency kit should include two weeks of food and water along with over-the-counter medications and rehydration fluids. Purchase disinfection supplies for the home. Practice personal hygiene and wash your hands frequently to avoid spreading germs. Be prepared to stay in the home for 10 – 14 days when you are ill.

For more information about pandemic flu, visit one of the following sites:

- [www.Pandemicflu.org](http://www.Pandemicflu.org)
- [www.Sccgov.org/portal/site/phd/](http://www.Sccgov.org/portal/site/phd/)
- [www.Redcross.org](http://www.Redcross.org)
- [www.CDC.gov](http://www.CDC.gov)



## SUNNYVALE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY CRIME PREVENTION UNIT

**W**hen trouble strikes, you know you can call Sunnyvale's Department of Public Safety (DPS) to safely handle any emergency. But did you know that DPS also has a way to offer its expertise to prevent problems in the first place? It's called the Crime Prevention Unit, and it's a proactive resource for community education and problem solving.

The Crime Prevention Unit is made up of neighborhood resource officers (NROs), community service officers, crime prevention assistants, a senior office assistant and a lieutenant, as well as a county juvenile probation officer assigned to Sunnyvale.

Using the principles of "Problem Oriented Policing," the Crime Prevention Unit combines education, investigation and enforcement to meet the diverse needs of the community. Youth education plays a vital role in crime prevention. The City of Sunnyvale has 29 elementary, middle and high schools, and each is assigned an NRO as a liaison, providing educational talks and student consultations throughout the school year. NROs talk to students at an age-appropriate level about conflict resolution, drug awareness, stranger danger, fire safety, domestic violence and more. NROs also meet regularly with school administrators and faculty, and participate in student/law enforcement events such as the Bicycle Rodeo, Basketball

Shootout and Fire Safety Poster Contest. In coordination with the Juvenile Probation Department, the Crime Prevention Unit provides diversion classes for first-time criminal offenders, and for juvenile bike and pedestrian violations.

For the Sunnyvale business community, the Crime Prevention Unit provides talks and consultations on a variety of business-related topics, including personal safety, office security, robbery/theft prevention, loss prevention (employee theft) and workplace violence. (See Business Watch article on page 9) If specific or unusual requests are made, the Crime Prevention Unit will research available resources and provide information accordingly.

For Sunnyvale neighborhoods and community at large, the Crime Prevention Unit remains available to provide talks and address conflicts or issues as they arise. The unit supports neighborhood associations, neighborhood watches and conflict resolutions between neighbors. In addition, the unit coordinates activities that support worthwhile causes, including National Night Out, the annual Pancake Breakfast (supporting the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation) and various events to support Special Olympics.

The Crime Prevention Unit is your resource for community concerns that fall outside the scope or capabilities of the typical police or fire response. For more information, call the Crime Prevention Unit at (408) 730-7140. ☀



# WORKING TOGETHER TO KEEP KIDS SAFE ON THE 'NET

The Internet has become an indispensable tool in today's society. But for all its benefits, the Internet poses many hidden dangers. Millions of children access the Web every day, and many are unaware of the dangers that exist. In fact, one in five children have received unwanted sexual solicitations online. Worse, many of these crimes go unreported. Of those children who received solicitations, nearly half did not report the incident to anyone, including parents. Unfortunately, these numbers continue to rise at an alarming rate. According to the FBI, online sexual solicitations have increased more than 2,000 percent in the last 10 years.

Fighting this type of crime is an effort that requires the involvement of the entire community. In 2000, the sexual assault of a 12-year-old Sunnyvale student who had been stalked online inspired Sunnyvale Public Safety Officer (since promoted to lieutenant) Penny Gleason and Santa Clara County Juvenile Probation Officer Bill Bonsall to develop a community response to Internet crime.

With Yahoo! as a partner, the Probation Department and the Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety (DPS) created an Internet Safety Program to be presented to every sixth-grade class in Sunnyvale. The interactive program is brought to the schools each fall by Yahoo!

volunteers, Public Safety Officers and the Juvenile Probation Officer.

There are two presentations available, one geared toward the sixth-graders and one developed for their parents. In these presentations, children learn ways to stay safe online, and parents learn to spot the warning signs of cyberstalking. Sunnyvale groups interested in these presentations should call the Sunnyvale Crime Prevention Unit at (408) 730-7140.

### Not Just Chat

Blogs, like those found on popular sites like MySpace and Xanga, have replaced chat rooms as the place for kids to hang out online. Blogs, short for Web log, are online journals or diaries where users create their own Web page, posting photos and sharing intimate details about their personal lives, which can make it easy for predators to find their prey.

### What Parents Can Do

Talk to your kids about how they use the Internet, and who they chat with. Surveys indicate that the majority of children have unsupervised access to the Internet. Although most teens go online from multiple locations, as many as 70 percent of unwanted sexual solicitations occur when the youth is on his or her home computer. Additionally, half of teens reported e-mailing or instant messaging with strangers. Installing filters or controls

will not automatically make your child safer online. The computer should be in a common area of the house, so parents can monitor their children's usage. Parents should also learn the meaning of commonly-used abbreviations (see sidebar). ☼



### COMMONLY-USED 'NET ABBREVIATIONS

ASL .....	Age, sex, location
IRL .....	In real life
BRB .....	Be right back
LOL .....	Laughing out loud
EG .....	Evil grin
OMG .....	Oh my gosh
F2F .....	Face to face
POS .....	Parents over my shoulder
IM .....	Instant Message
WTGP .....	Want to go private?

### ONLINE SAFETY TIPS

- Never respond to instant messages (IMs) or e-mails from people you don't know
- Never give out personal information
- Talk with your parents about online activity
- Report suspicious behavior to an adult or public safety officer
- Never agree to meet someone in person that you first met online

### PARENTAL TIPS

- Place computer in common area of house
- Have discussions about online safety with your children
- Be interested in their online activity
- Check Internet history and monitor online activity
- Consider purchasing child-safety software

# PUBLIC SAFETY RIDE-ALONG PROGRAM

The City of Sunnyvale consistently ranks as one of the safest cities in the nation. Have you ever wondered how Sunnyvale's Department of Public Safety (DPS) helps to keep us so safe? Now you can find out. DPS offers ride-along opportunities to Sunnyvale residents, college students, Explorer Scouts and people interested in becoming public safety officers. Ride-along candidates must be at least 18 years old and pass a background investigation prior to participating in the program.

Participants begin at DPS

headquarters where they are assigned to an officer, given a brief orientation and a tour of the facility. Participants spend approximately two hours riding with the officer, observing calls for service and officer-initiated patrol activity.

Ride-along requests are accommodated in the order they are received. When DPS is actively recruiting, however, priority is given to officer candidates. Applications usually take two – four weeks to process. For more information or to request an application, phone (408) 730-7100 or stop by DPS at 700 All America Way. ☼



# SUNNYVALE PUBLIC SAFETY BUSINESS WATCH PROGRAM

Building a safe city takes more than having public safety officers patrolling the streets. Sunnyvale's status as one of the nation's safest cities is maintained by strong cooperation between City officials, the Department of Public Safety (DPS) and members of the community.

Business Watch is a new program being offered by the City to help keep businesses safe from crime. The program works by creating strong and effective relationships between businesses and DPS. It is based on the premise that the best way to prevent crime is to have neighbors looking out for one another. This network allows for an exchange of information and ideas, and fosters a sense of business community.

The business watch provides tools that will help businesses continue to work in a safe work environment and give an added sense of security. Businesses can request meetings with DPS to talk about concerns or issues, and to get information on public safety resources such as robbery and theft prevention. Neighborhood Resource Officers cover police response procedures, the importance of victim and witness information, evidence and aftermath. In addition, a commercial site security survey may be done on the business premises. Sunnyvale Crime Prevention staff will evaluate potential security risks and advise businesses on ways they can address these risks.

For more information about the Business Watch program, contact Sunnyvale's Crime Prevention Unit at (408) 730-7116.

# NEIGHBORHOOD GRANT PROGRAM TO BE CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL

Neighborhood associations help build a sense of community among neighbors, address neighborhood issues, create an effective communication link with government officials and other influential groups, and empower residents to work together to improve their neighborhood.

Sunnyvale's City Council, in an effort to support these important associations, has asked the city manager to include an expanded neighborhood grant program in the City's fiscal year 2006/07 proposed budget. Aimed at building the capacity of Sunnyvale's neighborhood associations, this program would allow all registered neighborhood associations, as well as groups forming neighborhood associations, to apply for grants of up to \$1,000. Neighborhood associations will be able to use these funds for projects that strengthen and support association leadership, increase communication among the neighbors, improve the physical condition of the neighborhood, enhance neighborhood pride and identity, or build bridges between different cultural groups.

Many different kinds of activities, including start-up funds for neighborhood association newsletters, clean-up and beautification activities, block parties or special events, may be eligible for neighborhood grants if they build community, enhance the neighborhood, or foster the independence of neighborhood associations.

Neighborhood associations interested in receiving grant funding will complete an application which will be reviewed by a committee that makes the grant award decisions. More information on the Neighborhood Grant Program will be made available after July 1, assuming Council adopts the City Manager's recommended budget. For more information on starting a neighborhood association or registering your association, please contact the community outreach coordinator at (408) 730-7472, TDD (408) 730-7501. ☎

## BECOME A MEMBER OF THE EL CAMINO HOSPITAL HEALTH LIBRARY AND RESOURCES CENTER

Can you trust your computer with your health? You can if you're a member of the El Camino Hospital Health Library and Resource Center. El Camino Hospital, which serves the Sunnyvale community, offers free memberships to the library, where you can access the full text of hundreds of consumer health and medical journals from your home computer. Additionally, you'll have access to the hospital's medical library including books, magazines, DVDs, and CD-ROMs. To join, just go visit [www.elcaminohospital.org/library](http://www.elcaminohospital.org/library) and click on the blue *Join Now* button, or call (650) 940-7210.

# EL CAMINO HOSPITAL COMMUNITY WELLNESS LECTURE SERIES

## August 2: Weight Loss Surgery, Is it Right for You?

Bariatric surgery, obesity surgery, or weight-loss surgery, as it is commonly known, is designed to allow patients to achieve long-term, significant weight loss through one of three basic types of Bariatric surgical procedures. Join Dr. Pamela Foster at the Sunnyvale Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave., as she gives an overview of bariatric surgical procedures available today. In addition she will provide an introduction to the condition of morbid obesity and the health impact it can have on an individual. Call (800) 216-5556 for more information. ☎

# FREE 'FOR YOUR HEALTH' COMMUNITY LECTURES

## Presented by Camino Medical Group

The City of Sunnyvale has partnered with Camino Medical Group to offer free monthly presentations on health and wellness topics, given by healthcare professionals.

Held the fourth Wednesday of the month from 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. Sunnyvale City Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

Programs, which are led by Camino Medical Group physicians, are recorded and televised several times, the week following the live presentation, on KSUN-15, Sunnyvale's government access cable channel.

**July 26**  
**Modern Drug Development**  
Learn about the drug development cycle, approval process and combining new medications.  
*Presented by Steven E. Carlson, M.D.*

**August 23**  
**Healthy Environment, Healthy You**  
Your health is affected by the environment in your home, at work and in the community. Find out how you can be affected.  
*Presented by Cindy L. Russell, M.D.*

**September 27**  
**The Truth about MRSA Staph Infections**  
What are the risk factors in the community and how can you recognize, prevent and treat MRSA staph infections?  
*Presented by Daniel Shin, M.D.*

**October 25**  
**Adult Solutions for Adult Acne**  
Discuss skin care and treatment options for Adult Acne.  
*Presented by Tin Tin Tun, M.D.*

For more information about the For Your Health program, visit [www.caminomedical.org](http://www.caminomedical.org) or call (408) 523-3295. ☎



# NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

Neighborhood associations play an important role in building a sense of community in Sunnyvale. They foster community pride, neighborhood attractiveness and connect neighborhoods to City Hall. The City offers special benefits to neighborhood associations that join the Neighborhood Registry, including free use of park building facilities on a space-available basis and a one-time grant of \$100 to assist new neighborhood associations with start-up costs.

Currently, nearly a quarter of all Sunnyvale households fall within the boundaries of a registered neighborhood association. To learn more about the benefits of starting a neighborhood association or the City's Neighborhood Registry program, call the community outreach coordinator at (408) 730-7472 or visit *Neighborhoods.inSunnyvale.com*.

## Sunnyvale currently has 17 active neighborhood associations:

### Birdland Neighbors\*

Contact: Rose Bullinger  
(408) 737-2781  
*www.groups.yahoo.com/group/BirdlandNeighbors*  
Meetings: Call or e-mail for upcoming meetings

### Braly Corners Neighborhood Association\*

Contact: Jack Kroll  
(408) 739-2729  
*jkroll@igc.org*  
Meetings: Call or e-mail for upcoming meetings

### Canary Drive Neighborhood Association\*

Contact: Steve Gospe  
(408)736-4591  
Meetings: Call for upcoming meetings

### Charles Street 100\*

Contact: Monica Davis  
(408) 774-0944  
*monica.davis@cbnorcal.com*  
Meetings: Call or e-mail for upcoming meetings

### Cherry Orchard Neighbors Association\*

Contact: Don Thomas  
(408) 733-2621  
*drtentld@aol.com*  
Meetings: Call or e-mail for upcoming meetings

### Cumberland South Neighborhood Association\*

Contact: Reid Myers  
(408) 749-0903  
*cumberlandsouth-owner@yahoo.com*  
Meetings: Call or e-mail for upcoming meetings

### Gavello Glen Neighborhood Association

Contact: Wil & Barb Marshman  
(408) 736-0400  
*BMarshman@mercurynews.com*  
Meetings: Call or e-mail for upcoming meetings

### Heritage District Neighborhood Association\*

Contacts: Tom Carrig  
(408) 736-6147  
*car357@pacbell.net*  
Dave Whittum  
(650) 906-7681  
*whittum@ieee.org*  
Meetings: First Friday of the month, 7 p.m., at Murphy Park Building.

### Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association\*

Contact: Ursula Syrova,  
(408) 738-3092  
*president@lvna.net*  
*www.lvna.net*  
Meetings: Second Thursday of the month, 7 p.m. at Lakewood Park Building



### Lowlanders Neighborhood Association

Contact: Margaret Murguia  
(408) 735-9238  
*mugs2115@aol.com*  
Meetings: Quarterly meetings at Murphy Park Building. Call for details.

### Ortega Park Neighborhood Association\*

Contact: Kitty Chuang  
*Kama\_kitty@yahoo.com*  
Meetings: Call for upcoming meetings

### Panama Park Neighborhood Association\*

Contact: Robert Harms  
(408) 736-9128  
Meetings: Call for upcoming meetings

### Raynor Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Irene Castro  
(408) 739-5739  
*rpnasunnyvale@aol.com*  
Meetings: Second Thursday of every other month. Call for upcoming meetings

### San Miguel Neighbors Association\*

Contact: Tara Martin-Milius  
*taramil@sbcglobal.net*  
Meetings: Second Monday of the month, 7 p.m., San Miguel School teacher's lounge

### S.N.A.I.L. - Columbia Area\*

Contact: June Valenti  
(408) 749-1846  
Meetings: First Thursday of the month 7 p.m., Columbia Middle School teacher's lounge

### SunnyArts\*

Contact: Cindy Stewart  
*cind1010@yahoo.com*  
Meetings: Last Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m., Ortega Park Building

### Wrightmont Corner

Contact: Connie Portele  
(408) 736-3585  
*cportele@comcast.net*  
Meetings: Call or e-mail for upcoming meetings

\*Denotes registered neighborhood associations. Registered neighborhood associations have entered into an agreement with the City of Sunnyvale and receive special rights and privileges as outlined in that agreement.

## FAMILY FUN COMING TO COLUMBIA NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

Parents and children are invited to come together for a night of family fun. The eighth annual Family Fun Night will be Wednesday, October 18, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Columbia Neighborhood Center, 785 Morse Ave. Admission is free. Families will be able to enjoy an evening of arts and crafts, games and contests together. There will also be information available on local community services.

For more information, contact Columbia Neighborhood Center at (408) 523-8150.

# SUNNYVALE COMPOST VOLUNTEERS DEEPLY ROOTED IN COMMUNITY

Sunnyvale was among the first cities in California to launch a home composting education program. On a spring morning in 1993, about 30 people arrived at Washington Park for that very first workshop. Just one year later, more than 100 eager residents showed up, ready to learn about diverting yard materials from the garbage collection system (there was no separate yard waste collection at that time).

It was through the collaboration of many individuals and community groups that the City launched its compost program. First, community planning meetings were held at the Sunnyvale Public Library. The Public Works Department then partnered with the Sunnyvale branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) and the Sunnyvale Garden Club. The AAUW prepared and distributed a survey asking residents about their recycling and composting interests. A group of students from Homestead and Cupertino high schools made

posters and signs to promote the program; one very devoted high school student even kept records and maintained a database for the program. Members of the Sunnyvale Garden Club met with City staff, attended planning meetings, previewed educational videos and shared information.

Other volunteers and staff from the California Agriculture Extension and the University of California also offered technical assistance to the City. Thus, the Sunnyvale Compost Education program was planted in the community.

Since the program's inception, the community has continued to be involved through volunteering at the monthly compost workshops and other recycling, yard and garden events.

Today there are about a dozen active community volunteers involved with gardening and compost education activities in Sunnyvale, including working with residents and schools to share information about healthy

environmental yard and gardening practices. Some of these volunteers have been involved with the program for more than 10 years. Many of Sunnyvale's volunteers go on to attend additional training in conjunction with the Santa Clara County Home Compost Program and become certified as master composters.

One of the results of this community involvement is the diversion of approximately 700 tons of "green" material annually from the collection- to-market process. Volunteer outreach education also contributes to the building of healthier soil, reduced use of water and reduction or elimination of various pesticides.

If you'd like to join the current crop of volunteers, contact the Recycling Program at (408) 730-7278, TDD (408) 730-7501. Monthly compost workshops are held at the Sunnyvale Heritage Building, 550 E. Remington Drive. For more information, call the Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262. 🌱

# RESIDENTIAL GREEN BUILDING GUIDELINES AVAILABLE

In 2004, the Sunnyvale City Council adopted a Sustainable Development and Green Buildings policy to encourage both public and private facilities to use green building design practices for new construction, remodeling and maintenance. The policy stresses sustainability, water efficiency, energy conservation, environmentally-friendly materials, among other things.



Many green building features and products cost the same as, or even less than, their conventional counterparts. Other green features may cost more upfront, but result in savings year after year. Benefits of green building include:

- **Reduced operating costs:** Energy and water efficiency upgrades can reduce your utility bills while providing the comfort and convenience you expect.
- **Healthier products:** Green building involves the use of products that reduce or eliminate harmful chemicals or other pollutants into your home.
- **Natural resource conservation:** By choosing to build green, you can help preserve both our local and global natural resources, and protect the environment.

To assist our residential building projects, The City of Sunnyvale now has "New Home Construction Green Building Guidelines" available at the One-Stop Permit Center in City

Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave. You can also request a copy by e-mailing [building@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us](mailto:building@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us), calling (408) 730-7444 or visiting [www.SunnyvaleBuilding.com](http://www.SunnyvaleBuilding.com). These guidelines include a "green points" rating system to help building professionals and homeowners assess how environmentally friendly or "green" a home is. The guidelines were developed through a partnership among local developers, green building experts and public agencies.

Find a listing of green products, materials and technologies available in the Bay Area by visiting the Green Materials Database at [www.builditgreen.org](http://www.builditgreen.org). After July 15, visit the One-Stop Permit Center to view Sunnyvale's new Green Building Materials Display which will present product samples and information about a variety of effective and environmentally-preferable materials. You can also contact the "Ask an Expert" service with any of your green building questions by calling (888) 40-GREEN. It is the City's desire that our building community will gain a greater understanding of the social, environmental and economic benefits associated with green building and, as a result, will incorporate these design options into residential projects throughout Sunnyvale. 🌱

## TAKE A TOUR OF THE PLANT

Feel the rumbling of the pumps and hear the roar of the treated water as it is discharged to the Bay. Follow the water as it moves through physical, chemical and biological treatment, ensuring that it is clean and ready to be released. See floating algae on the surface of the water after its treatment in the oxidation ponds, and watch as the mechanical arm sweeps the algae off the top of the wastewater.

Consider taking a free tour of Sunnyvale's Water Pollution Control Plant. These educational tours help the public better understand the water we so often take for granted. During the 90-minute tour, you will learn the various stages of treatment, how the plant uses alternative fuel sources to conserve energy, and how Sunnyvale conserves by using recycled water on landscaping at corporate business parks and City facilities.

Tours can be adapted to meet specific curriculum needs and are conducted Monday through Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Call (408) 730-7738, TDD (408) 730-7501, to make a reservation. For more information about the Water Pollution Control Plant visit [wpcp.sunnyvale.ca.gov](http://wpcp.sunnyvale.ca.gov).



# CITY REACHES OUT TO COMMUNITY ON PEST CONTROL

Nestled comfortably among vendor booths selling flowers, fruits, vegetables and exotic home-made fare, market-goers often find a member of Sunnyvale’s Environmental Outreach Department distributing helpful advice on controlling pests the less-toxic way.

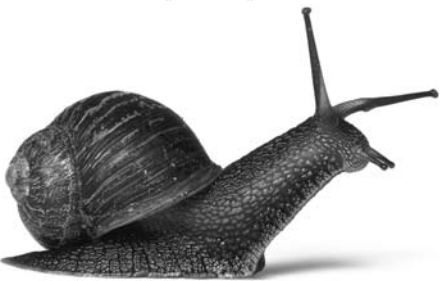
“We’re out talking to the public about pesticides and fertilizers that wash off lawns and gardens during rains and over-watering, and drain into storms drains that flow directly to our local creeks and Bay,” said Sally Personett, Environmental Outreach Coordinator for the City’s Public Works Department. “People want to know how they can help. The Farmer’s Market offers a unique venue to provide water pollution

prevention information to the community. My job there is to help them learn alternative ways to manage pest problems without using toxic products that may eventually get into our water.”

### Among the Top Inquiries?

“Troubles with snails and ants are by far the most common complaints we receive,” she said.

To get rid of snails, Personnett suggests crumpling up a section



of the newspaper into a ball, then spraying it down with water to make it wet. At dusk, place the wet, crumpled newspaper in the garden where the snails are. During the night the snails will gather there because it’s dark and damp. In the morning, simply crumple the newspaper up, and place it in a plastic bag and tie it. You can dispose of the plastic bag in the garbage.

You can learn other alternate methods of managing insect and pest problems. For more information on water pollution prevention and controlling pests the less toxic way, call the City of Sunnyvale Environmental Outreach Department at (408) 730-7738, TDD (408) 730-7501, or visit [wpcp.sunnyvale.ca.gov](http://wpcp.sunnyvale.ca.gov). ☀

# YOUR OPINION COUNTS

Cut Out and Mail In or Complete Online at [www.sunnyvale.ca.gov](http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov)

 CUT OUT AND MAIL IN

CITY OF SUNNYVALE CODE ENFORCEMENT ISSUES SURVEY	PRIORITY			
Below is a list of code enforcement issues affecting the Sunnyvale community. Sunnyvale’s Neighborhood Preservation staff would like to know which issues are of importance to you in order to better prioritize workloads and address the highest priorities first. Please review this list of code enforcement issues and check only one priority level for each issue.	High	Medium	Low	Not a Priority
<b>Junk and Debris</b> (junk, trash, furniture, equipment, etc. stored in public view, in the front and/or side yard)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Vehicles Parked on an Unpaved Surface</b> (cars, trucks, boats or RVs parked on the lawn, dirt or other unpaved surfaces)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Illegal Businesses on Residential Property</b> (operating out of the home, garage, backyard or front yard without the required permits, which could cause issues such as increased traffic, employees showing up to work, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Illegal Structures</b> (illegal garage conversions, additions, sheds, roof extensions, etc.; structures erected without the required permits)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Weeds</b> (in public view, in the front and/or side yard)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Overgrown Vegetation</b> (overgrown hedges or shrubs in the front yard or vegetation obstructing the sidewalk)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Illegal Fences</b> (exceeding the City’s height limitation of three feet in the front yard and six feet in the side yard, without a variance or permit)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Major Auto Repair on Residential Property</b> (major work such as engine overhauls, bodywork, painting, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Trash Can Placement on Non-Collection Days</b>				
1. Trash cans placed at the curb or in front of the house	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Trash cans placed in the side yard, behind the face of the house, but visible from the street	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Write-in Issue(s)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Thank you for your participation. Please mail the completed survey to: City of Sunnyvale, Neighborhood Preservation Division P.O. Box 3707 Sunnyvale, CA 94088-3707 You may also take the survey online at <a href="http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov">www.sunnyvale.ca.gov</a>				

<p><b>July 1 – September 30, 2006</b> Community Calendar also available online: <a href="http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/events">www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/events</a></p> <p>In addition to City-sponsored events, the Community Calendar includes non City-sponsored events. Events posted to this calendar do not necessarily imply endorsement by the City of Sunnyvale. The calendar serves as an information-only resource for the community. All dates and times are subject to change.</p> <p><b>City Holidays</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday, July 4</b> Independence Day (City Offices Closed)</p> <p><b>Monday, September 4</b> Labor Day (City Offices Closed)</p> <p><b>Recurring Meetings and Events</b></p> <p><b>City Meetings</b></p> <p><b>City Council:</b> Meets most Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>Arts Commission:</b> Meets on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 West Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee:</b> Meets on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m., West Conference</p> <p><b>Board of Building Code Appeals:</b> Meetings are held only when necessary. For more information call (408) 730-7444.</p> <p><b>Board of Library Trustees:</b> Meets on the first Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>Child Care Advisory Board:</b> Meets on the second Tuesday of each quarter, 11:30 a.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>Heritage Preservation Commission:</b> Meets on the first Wednesday of every other month, 7 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 West Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>Housing and Human Services Commission:</b> Meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., West Conference Room, 456 W. Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>Parks and Recreation Commission:</b> Meets on the second Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>Personnel Board:</b> Meets on the third Monday of the month, 5 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>Planning Commission:</b> Meets on the second and fourth Monday of the month, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>Recurring Community Meetings and Events</b></p> <p><b>American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Monthly Meeting:</b> 12:15 p.m., Sunnyvale Senior Center, 550 E. Remington Dr. For more information contact Lu Zentner, (408) 481-0890 or <a href="mailto:ez611@comcast.net">ez611@comcast.net</a> .</p> <p><b>Business Mixer,</b> 5 p.m., evening networking events held every fourth Thursday of the month. For more information or to make a reservation contact the Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce, (408) 736-4971.</p> <p><b>Farmer's Market,</b> Saturdays (rain or shine), 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., S. Murphy Ave. between Washington and Evelyn Avenues. For more information call (510) 745-7100 or visit <a href="http://www.urbanvillageonline.com/sunnyvale/index.html">http://www.urbanvillageonline.com/sunnyvale/index.html</a></p> <p><b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters,</b> Sundays, 11:30 a.m., Fair Oaks West Club, 655 S. Fair Oaks Ave.. For more information contact Hanh Chau, (408) 251-2521, <a href="mailto:bchau1@aol.com">bchau1@aol.com</a> or visit <a href="http://geocities.com/fairoakstoastmasters">http://geocities.com/fairoakstoastmasters</a> .</p> <p><b>Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay,</b> 6:30 p.m., meets the fourth Wednesday of the month. Camino Medical Group Urgent Care Center; Conference Room #2, 201 Old San Francisco Road. For more information contact Sally Twestens, Health Education Department, Camino Medical Group, (408) 523-3221 or Chris Saleh, Moderator/Founder, (408) 404-8479</p> <p><b>Impressions Scrapbooking and Crafts</b> Meets the first Wednesday of the month, 7 p.m., Sunnyvale Adventist Church Fellowship Hall, 653 W. Fremont Ave. For more information contact Shannon Fiorello, (408) 782-0105, <a href="mailto:cropalong@hotmail.com">cropalong@hotmail.com</a> or Shannon Andres, (408) 245-5634, <a href="mailto:cmbeartsong@hotmail.com">cmbeartsong@hotmail.com</a> .</p> <p><b>Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off,</b> Drop-off at Sunnyvale Event Site (164 Carl Rd), 8 a.m. – 1 p.m., Held on the third Saturday of every month (except December). For more information call (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501.</p>	<p><b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting:</b> 7:20 a.m., Lookout Inn, 605 Macara Ave., (Sunnyvale Golf Course). For more information contact Bruce Carlson, (408) 774-0609 or <a href="mailto:bruce@carlsonfun.com">bruce@carlsonfun.com</a> .</p> <p><b>Wake-Up Sunnyvale,</b> Monthly networking breakfasts held every second Thursday of the month at 7:30 a.m. For more information or to make a reservation please contact the Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce, (408) 736-4971.</p> <p><b>Neighborhood Association Meetings</b></p> <p><b>Heritage District Neighborhood Association Meetings</b> All meetings held on the first Friday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Murphy Park Building, 260 N. Sunnyvale Ave. For more information, please call Tom Carrig at (408) 736-6147.</p> <p><b>Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Meetings</b> All meetings held at 7 p.m. at Fairwood School or Lakewood School – please visit the Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association web site for locations at <a href="http://www.lvna.net">www.lvna.net</a>. For more information, please email Ursula Syrova at <a href="mailto:president@lvna.net">president@lvna.net</a>.</p> <p><b>San Miguel Neighbors Association Meetings</b> All meetings held at 7 p.m. at San Miguel School Teachers' Lounge, 777 San Miguel Ave. For more information, please call Tara Martin-Milius at (408) 733-5778.</p> <p><b>SNAIL (Sunnyvale Neighbors of Arbor Including La Linda)</b> Meets the first Thursday of each month, 7 p.m., Columbia Middle School, Teacher's Lounge, 739 Morse Ave. For more information contact Elaine Rowan, (408) 749-1846.</p> <p><b>Classes and Programs</b></p> <p><b>Compost Workshop,</b> Sunnyvale Community Center – Arboretum, 10 a.m. – noon. Workshops are one Saturday per month with registration deadline the day before. For more information, call the Recycling Program at (408) 730-7262, TDD (408) 730-7501.</p> <p><b>July 2006</b></p> <p><b>July 1</b> Farmer's Market, 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>July 1 – 16</b> <b>California Theatre Center</b> presents – <i>Jane Austen's Emma</i>, for more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 733-6611 or visit <a href="http://www.ctcinc.org">www.ctcinc.org</a></p> <p><b>July 2</b> <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters,</b> 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>July 4</b> <b>No City Council Meeting Scheduled</b></p> <p><b>State of the City Celebration,</b> 11 a.m., Washington Park, 840 Washington Ave. For more information call (408) 730-7535.</p> <p><b>July 5</b> <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley</b> Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Monthly Meeting,</b> 12:15 p.m.</p> <p><b>Downtown Music and Market Series:</b> 5 p.m. – 9 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information call (408) 799-4344 or (408) 718-4880.</p> <p><b>Heritage Preservation Commission</b> Meeting, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Impressions Scrapbooking and Crafts,</b> 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 6</b> <b>SNAIL Neighborhood Association</b> Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 7</b> <b>Heritage District Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting,</b> 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 7 – 22</b> <b>California Theatre Center</b> presents – <i>The Complete Works of William Shakespeare</i> (abridged) by Borgeson, Long and Singer, for more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 733-6611 or visit <a href="http://www.ctcinc.org">www.ctcinc.org</a> .</p> <p><b>July 8</b> <b>Farmer's Market,</b> 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>July 9 – 23</b> <b>California Theatre Center</b> presents – <i>You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown</i> by Clark M. Gesner, for more information or to purchase tickets call (408) 733-6611 or visit <a href="http://www.ctcinc.org">www.ctcinc.org</a> .</p>	<p><b>July 9</b> <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters,</b> 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>Serenaders Big Band – Ortega Park Summer Concert Series,</b> 1:30 p.m., Ortega Park, 636 Harrow Way. Admission is free. For more information, contact Roger Fleming (Band Manager), (408) 257-4866.</p> <p><b>July 10</b> <b>Board of Library Trustees Meeting, 7 p.m., Library Program Room,</b> 665 W. Olive Ave</p> <p><b>San Miguel Neighbors Association General Meeting,</b> 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Planning Commission Meeting,</b> 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 11</b> <b>No City Council Meeting Scheduled</b></p> <p><b>July 12</b> <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting,</b> 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>Downtown Music and Market Series:</b> 5 p.m. – 9 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information call (408) 799-4344 or (408) 718-4880.</p> <p><b>Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting,</b> 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting,</b> 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 13</b> <b>Wake-Up Sunnyvale,</b> 7:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>July 15</b> <b>Farmer's Market,</b> 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>Compost Workshop,</b> 10 a.m.</p> <p><b>Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off,</b> 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.</p> <p><b>Relay for Life,</b> 10 a.m., Columbia Park. This is a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. For more information, contact Magda Jisrawi, (408) 688-0117, or <a href="mailto:Magda.Jisrawi@cancer.org">Magda.Jisrawi@cancer.org</a> .</p> <p><b>July 16</b> <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters,</b> 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>July 17</b> <b>Personnel Board Meeting,</b> 5 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 18</b> <b>City Council Meeting,</b> 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>July 19</b> <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting,</b> 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>Downtown Music and Market Series:</b> 5 p.m. – 9 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information call (408) 799-4344 or (408) 718-4880.</p> <p><b>Arts Commission Meeting,</b> 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 20</b> <b>Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting,</b> 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 22</b> <b>Farmer's Market,</b> 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>July 23</b> <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters,</b> 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>July 24</b> <b>Planning Commission Meeting,</b> 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 25</b> <b>Child Care Advisory Board Meeting,</b> 11:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>City Council Meeting,</b> 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.</p> <p><b>July 26</b> <b>Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting,</b> 7:20 a.m.</p> <p><b>Downtown Music and Market Series:</b> 5 p.m. – 9 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information call (408) 799-4344 or (408) 718-4880.</p> <p><b>Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay,</b> 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Housing and Human Services Commission Meeting,</b> 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>'For Your Health' Free Community Wellness Presentation,</b> "Modern Drug Development"; 7 p.m., Sunnyvale City Council Chambers, 456 West Olive Ave. Learn about the drug development cycle, approval process and combining new medications; presented by Steven E. Carlson, M.D. Seating is limited, call (408) 523-3295 or visit <a href="http://www.caminomedical.org">www.caminomedical.org</a> to reserve a seat.</p> <p><b>July 27</b> <b>Business Mixer,</b> 5 p.m.</p> <p><b>July 29</b> <b>Farmer's Market,</b> 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>Free Flow Tour,</b> 10 a.m., Fair Oaks Skate Park, for more information visit <a href="http://www.dewactionsportstour.com">www.dewactionsportstour.com</a> .</p> <p><b>July 30</b> <b>Fair Oaks Toastmasters,</b> 11:30 a.m.</p>
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**August 1**  
No City Council Meeting Scheduled

**August 2**  
Downtown Music and Market Series: 5 p.m. – 9 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information call (408) 799-4344 or (408) 718-4880.

**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting,** 7:20 a.m.

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**Impressions Scrapbooking and Crafts,** 7 p.m.

**Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**August 3**  
SNAIL Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.

**August 4**  
Heritage District Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.

**August 5**  
Farmer's Market, 9 a.m.

**August 6**  
Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

**August 7**  
Board of Library Trustees Meeting, 7 p.m.

**August 8**  
City Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**August 9**  
Downtown Music and Market Series: 5 p.m. – 9 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information call (408) 799-4344 or (408) 718-4880.

**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting,** 7:20 a.m.

**Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**August 9**  
Commission Meeting, 7 p.m.

**August 10**  
Wake-Up Sunnyvale, 7:30 a.m.

**August 12**  
Farmer's Market, 9 a.m.

**August 13**  
Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

**Serenaders Big Band – Ortega Park Summer Concert Series,** 1:30 p.m., Ortega Park, 636 Harrow Way. Admission is free. For more information, contact Roger Fleming (Band Manager), (408) 257-4866.

**August 14**  
San Miguel Neighbors Association General Meeting, 7 p.m.

**Planning Commission Meeting,** 8 p.m.

**August 15**  
No City Council Meeting Scheduled

**August 16**  
Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**Downtown Music and Market Series:** 5 p.m. – 9 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information call (408) 799-4344 or (408) 718-4880.

**Arts Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**August 17**  
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

**August 19**  
Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Farmer's Market,** 9 a.m.

**Compost Workshop,** 10 a.m.

**August 20**  
Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

**August 21**  
Personnel Board Meeting, 5 p.m.

**August 22**  
City Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**August 23**  
Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**Downtown Music and Market Series:** 5 p.m. – 9 p.m., Downtown Sunnyvale, Murphy Ave. For more information call (408) 799-4344 or (408) 718-4880.

**Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay,** 6:30 p.m.

**‘For Your Health’ Free Community Wellness Presentation,”** Healthy Environment, Healthy You”; 7 p.m., Sunnyvale City Council Chambers, 456 West Olive Ave. Learn about the impact of your environment at home and in the community on your health; presented by Cindy L. Russell, M.D. Seating is limited, call (408) 523-3295 or visit *www.caminomedical.org* to reserve a seat.

**Housing and Human Services Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**August 24**  
Business Mixer, 5 p.m.

**August 26**  
Farmer's Market, 9 a.m.

**August 27**  
Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

**August 28**  
Planning Commission Meeting, 8 p.m.

**August 30**  
No Council Meeting Scheduled

**Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting,** 7:20 a.m.

September

**September 1**  
Heritage District Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.

**September 2**  
Farmer's Market, 9 a.m.

**September 3**  
Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

**September 5**  
No City Council Meeting Scheduled

**September 6**  
Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Monthly Meeting,** 12:15 p.m..

**Impressions Scrapbooking and Crafts,** 7 p.m.

**Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**September 7**  
SNAIL Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m.

**September 9**  
Farmer's Market, 9 a.m.

**September 10**  
Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

**Serenaders Big Band – Ortega Park Summer Concert Series,** 1:30 p.m., Ortega Park, 636 Harrow Way. Admission is free. For more information, contact Roger Fleming (Band Manager), (408) 257-4866.

**September 11**  
Board of Library Trustees Meeting, 7 p.m., Library Program Room, 665 W. Olive Ave

**San Miguel Neighbors Association General Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**Planning Commission Meeting,** 8 p.m.

**September 12**  
City Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave.

**September 13**  
Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association Monthly Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**September 14**  
Wake-Up Sunnyvale, 7:30 a.m.

**September 16**  
Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Farmer's Market,** 9 a.m.

**Compost Workshop,** 10 a.m.

**September 17**  
Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

**September 18**  
Personnel Board Meeting, 5 p.m.

**September 19**  
City Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave

**September 20**  
Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**Arts Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**Housing and Human Services Commission Meeting,** 7 p.m.

**September 21**  
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

**September 23**  
Farmer's Market, 9 a.m.

**September 24**  
Fair Oaks Toastmasters, 11:30 a.m.

**September 25**  
Planning Commission Meeting, 8 p.m.

**September 26**  
City Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Council Chambers, 456 W. Olive Ave

**September 27**  
Kiwanis Club of Silicon Valley Weekly Meeting, 7:20 a.m.

**Glaucoma Support Group Of The South Bay,** 6:30 p.m.

**September 28**  
Business Mixer, 5 p.m.

**September 30**  
Farmer's Market, 9 a.m.

**Sunnyvale Historical Society and Museum Association,** Heritage Park Museum Ground-Breaking Event, 11 a.m., Heritage Park Garden site, Sunnyvale Community Center, 550 E. Remington Drive. Free admission and open to the public. Live music, antique and collectible sale, BBQ lunch available, and children's activities. For more information, contact Laura Babcock, (408) 736-4713 or *L\_babcock@earthblink.net* .

Ongoing Events

**Fun On The Run**  
City of Sunnyvale's Mobile Activities Program

For more information contact: Suzie Hayes, Recreation Coordinator, (408) 730-7523 or *shayes@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us* .

**Family and Child Network Provider Meetings**

Meets on the second Tuesday of each month. For more information contact IrisAnn Nelson, (408) 733-4828 or Bobbie Martin, (408) 746-0336.

**SNAP (Sunnyvale Neighborhoods Actively Prepare) Program**

The Sunnyvale Office of Emergency Services works with our citizens to prepare them for catastrophic emergencies such as fires, earthquakes or other natural and man-made disasters that can be applied in the home, school, neighborhood or wherever needed in Sunnyvale. A new schedule of classes is coming in the fall. For more information call Cheri Sampson at (408) 730-7190 or email *SNAP@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us*

**Water Pollution Plant Tours**

Sign up for a tour of the Sunnyvale's Water Pollution Control Plant. To schedule a tour or for more information call (408) 730-7717.

**SMaRT Station® Tours**

See how garbage and recyclable materials from Mountain View, Palo Alto and Sunnyvale are processed and sorted for recycling at the Sunnyvale Materials Recovery and Transfer Station. Tours are available by appointment and are appropriate for persons 8 years of age and older. To schedule a tour or for more information call (408) 752-8530 or *www.sunnyvalerecycles.org* .

**SMaRT Birding Tours**

The City has collaborated with the Santa Clara Valley Audubon Society to offer free one-hour bird-watching tours at Sunnyvale's closed landfill. Interested parties should meet at noon on the first Wednesday of the month at 1444 Borregas Ave., north of Caribbean Drive, in Sunnyvale. For additional information, please call Silviana Ruiz at (408) 730-7545 or email *sruiiz@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us*.

**Community Calendar Online**  
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